

IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No.: Wuesthoff-4 (L0016US/MGL/sh)

Appl. No.: 10/500,037

Applicants: Ralf KNAPPE, Achim NEBEL

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Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR THE OPTICAL EXCITATION OF
LASERACTIVE CRYSTALS WITH POLARISATION-DEPENDENT
ABSORPTION

TC/A.U.: 2828

Examiner: Armando Rodriguez

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS
AND
AUTHORIZATION TO PAY ANY ADDITIONAL FEES DUE

Sir:

I. Establishment of Small Entity Status

The undersigned who is the attorney of record hereby asserts in writing that Applicant is a small entity and is thereby entitled to small entity status.

II. Authorization to Charge Any Fees Due or
Deficiencies in Fees to Deposit Account 50-1049

On an issue fee transmittal form (PTOL-85) submitted on the same date as this submission, Applicants representative indicated in writing that small entity status was being claimed by changing the indicated small entity status from NO to **YES**. Since this indication of small entity status was made in writing and was signed by the attorney of record it is submitted that it should be sufficient to establish small entity status and that payment of the small entity amount of the issue fee was proper. However, if payment in the amount of a large entity was due, the payment of the additional amount, or any other amount due is hereby authorized to be charged to the deposit account of Straub & Pokotylo, deposit account number 50-1049.

Respectfully submitted,

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